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MELLORINE AND OTHER FROZEN DESSERTS
MADE WITH FATS AND OILS OTHER THAN MILK-FAT

.....NOVEMBER 1956.....

Estimated at 1,910,000 gallons for November, the production of Mellorine and other frozen desserts made with fats and oils other than milk-fat was 3 percent smaller than the November output last year, the Agricultural Marketing Service reports. Gains in Missouri, Alabama, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Oregon and California were somewhat more than offset by sharp losses in Illinois and Texas, which are the two most important Mellorine-producing states.

In the first 11 months of this year, the estimated production totaled 31,740,000 gallons -- 1 percent more than the quantity frozen in the same period of 1955 and 7 percent larger than the January-November 1954 output.

A drop of 28 percent occurred between October and November this year, compared with a decline of only 18 percent at this season last year. The declines were sharp in all important Mellorine-producing states, but were extremely pronounced in Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas.

November ice cream production was estimated at 43,885,000 gallons -- 6 percent larger than the November output a year ago and the largest output ever recorded for the month. In the first 11 months of 1956, production was up 4 percent from the same period of 1955.

Production of sherbet during November was estimated at 1,890,000 gallons, or 12 percent more than that of November last year. In the first 11 months of 1956, sherbet output was down 3 percent from the same period of 1955.

United States Production Of Mellorine And Other Frozen Desserts
Made With Fats And Oils Other Than Milk-fat, Jan.- November 1956, With Comparisons

Month	1952 *	1953 *	1954 *	1955 *	Estimated 1956	Change 1955 from 1954	Change 1956 from 1955
Thousand Gallons					Percent...		
January	312	1,064	1,503	1,814	1,895	+ 21	+ 4
February	325	1,162	1,995	1,923	2,185	- 4	+ 14
March	428	1,607	2,339	2,732	2,885	+ 17	+ 6
April	567	1,767	2,720	2,789	2,790	+ 3	0
May	1,024	2,201	2,703	3,352	3,455	+ 24	+ 3
June	1,411	3,139	3,623	3,627	3,690	0	+ 2
July	1,629	2,978	3,904	3,717	3,725	- 5	0
August	1,526	2,731	3,622	3,919	3,690	+ 8	- 6
September	1,363	2,582	3,136	3,176	2,855	+ 1	- 10
October	1,090	2,229	2,443	2,409	2,660	- 1	+ 10
November	840	1,464	1,759	1,971	1,910	+ 12	- 3
ELEVEN MONTH TOTAL	10,515	22,924	29,747	31,429	31,740	+ 6	+ 1

* From enumerations.

